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FIRST NAMED INVENTOR ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. SERIAL NUMBER FILING DATE 106350REISSU TOYOSHIMA 11/23/93 08/157,564 DWENS A EXAMINER 12M2/0523 OBLON, SPIVAK, MC CLELLAND, MAIER & PAPER NUMBER ART UNIT NEUSTADT CRYSTAL SQUARE FIVE, FOURTH FLOOR 1203 1755 JEFFERSON DAVIS HWY. ARLINGTON, VA 22202 DATE MAILED: 05/23/94 This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application. COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Responsive to communication filed on ______ This action is made final. This application has been examined 82 month(s), ____ days from the date of this letter. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire____ Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned. THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENT(S) ARE PART OF THIS ACTION: 1. Notice of References Cited by Examiner, PTO-892. 2. Notice re Patent Drawing, PTO-948. 3. Notice of Art Cited by Applicant, PTO-1449. 4. Notice of informal Patent Application, Form PTO-152. 6. 🗆 Information on How to Effect Drawing Changes, PTO-1474. SUMMARY OF ACTION are pending in the application _ are withdrawn from consideration. Of the above, claims 2. Claims 3. Claims 4. Claims 5. Claims are subject to restriction or election requirement. 6. Claims _ 7. This application has been filled with informal drawings under 37 C.F.R. 1.85 which are acceptable for examination purposes. 9. The corrected or substitute drawings have been received on ____ _ . Under 37 C.F.R. 1.84 these drawings are acceptable. not acceptable (see explanation or Notice re Patent Drawing, PTO-948). 10. \square The proposed additional or substitute sheet(s) of drawings, filed on ______ has (have) been \square approved by the examiner.

disapproved by the examiner (see explanation). ___, has been approved. disapproved (see explanation). 11. The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ n/ Acknowledgment is made of the claim for galority under U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has. - 🗋 been received 🕻 not been received Neven filed in parent application, serial no. 146719; filed on 1-2/-313. Since this application appears to be in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213. 14. Other

EXAMINER'S ACTION

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15. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters: the original patent, USP 4,816,484 needs to be surrendered.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

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